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Council To Discuss Unqualified Ban On Pets Throughout City

The perennial dog-and-cat question will be uppermost in the minds of some councilmen and citizens at the city council meeting to be held Monday evening, November 24. At that time a draft of an ordinance, prepared by City Manager Charles T. McDonald on instructions of the council for the purpose of outlawing the keeping of dogs in Greenbelt, is scheduled for consideration.

Should the ban extend to cats? What about other kinds of pets? Should the ban apply to detached houses and rural zones within the city limits as well as to apartments and row houses? Should it apply to those who now have fenced yards, special kennels and runways for their dogs?

In answer to these questions presented to the City Manager by the Cooperator reporter, McDonald said Monday that he had not yet drawn up the draft of an ordinance, and could not divulge its contents before the council meeting. He did say, however, that he proposed to word it so as to ban all dogs from all parts of Greenbelt without any exceptions.

Existing Regulations

At present, keeping dogs and other pets in Greenbelt (except for ten detached houses in Parkbelt which passed to individual private ownership January 1, 1950) is a violation of the lease with the Federal Government. With the transfer of ownership of the major group of houses (certain apartments and commercial property excepted) to the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation on January 1, 1953, doubt has been expressed whether the existing regulations will be continued, unless the city council legislates on the matter. However, the mutual ownership contract between GVHC and its householder-members continues PHA lease provisions.

History of Problem

The Greenbelt Cooperator of January 6, 1938 (a few months after the first houses were occupied) contained a letter to the editor from Maury Fontaine, upholding the then existing ban on dogs and cats. In the same issue, Irvin B. Reamy defended pet owners. Others joined in the correspondence. In the issue of February 9, 1948, Johnnie Graham wrote:

"The reason we can't have dogs is simple. There has been no place planned for dogs—just human beings. If there was a yard, for each home, with a fence around it—then I would say a dog is what every family needs."

The matter was taken up in the metropolitan press. The Cooperator of February 16, 1938 reported: "Council Requested to Conduct Vote on Pets in Greenbelt: Declines Until Town Fully Populated." The vote was requested in a letter to Mayor Louis Bessemer by Major John O. Walker, director of the Resettlement Division of the Farm Security Administration. When the Council decided against any official referendum, Harry Falls, a spectator, volunteered to conduct the poll himself. He said he would call at every house and collect the yes and no ballots in a box.

The results of Mr. Falls' poll were reported to the Council February 28, 1938, as follows:

Question: Are you in favor of pets (particularly dogs) in Greenbelt? Homes called on: 263. No one at home: 28. Answer "No", 325 (husband and wife). Answer "Yes": 99 (husband and wife). Non-committal: 23.

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Planning Committee Publicizes Problems

Since there has been considerable discussion among Potomac area cooperative leaders about the future of consumer cooperatives here, the GCS board of directors has formed a planning committee which is intended to clarify for local members some of the background of and thinking about this problem. Directors Solomon, Bierwagen, Walter and Zubkoff have prepared the following material to aid members to come to intelligent decisions at the December 10 membership meeting, which will be devoted to a study of the subject of expansion. The Cooperator, as a public service, is making space available whenever possible in this and subsequent issues.

Co-op Problem

How can co-ops in the D. C. Greenbelt area be placed in a position where they can not only meet but beat chain store competition, being responsive to consumers' needs while serving them efficiently. The three basic proposals which have been discussed are:

1. Pool the management of various area co-ops under a central manager, with individual co-ops retaining their identity. This, it is felt, will cut costs and permit efficient specialization.

2. Obtain the financial assistance of an outside cooperative organization either to purchase a chain of stores in Washington and turn them into a cooperative; or to set up a revolving fund to be administered by an area management organization.

3. Develop local cooperatives as rapidly as possible, securing member-capital supplemented with outside funds.

In future issues the pros and cons of expansion will be discussed, with supplementary data.

Credit Union Extends Hours and Services

With a record number of applications for loans, mainly for the purpose of making down payments on homes in Greenbelt, the Credit Committee, officers and clerical force at the Credit Union have been working late into the night of these past few weeks.

In order to process all applications by the December 1 Gutte deadline, the Credit Committee will be available at the Credit Union office above the drug store on the following evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.—in addition to regular Wednesday night meetings:

Thursday, November 20; Friday, November 21, Tuesday, November 25; and Friday, November 28.

Signature loans, not requiring collateral, are made for amounts of 100 or less. For amounts above \$100 a co-signer or automobile chattel lien is required. If the loan is for the purpose of making the down payment on a home in Greenbelt, an assignment of equity may be pledge as collateral. A loan made with an assignment as collateral cannot exceed the actual amount of the down payment (13 per cent of the purchase price) and does not include the membership and broker's fees.

Those planning to apply for a loan from the Credit Union for making their down payment, are urged to file their applications as soon as possible. Applications are available at the Credit Union office. There are sufficient funds for those applications on file, but in the event that requests for loans exceed funds available, early applicants will receive first consideration.

What Goes On

Thursday, November 20 - Cub Scout Pack 229 meeting at Drop-Inn, 7:30.

Friday, November 21 - "Hansel and Gretel", 8:30 p.m. Center School.

Saturday - November 22 - Voice Recital, 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Social Hall, First Methodist Church, Hyattsville.

November 29 - St. Hugh's Clothing Collection.

Monday, November 24 - City Council meeting, 8 p.m. City office. Toy Clinic, 1:30 p.m. Greenbelt Theater.

Tuesday, November 25 - Center School PTA meeting. Open house, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Notice - There will be no bus service on Thanksgiving Day.

ORS Authorizes 23 1/2% Rent Raise; GVHC Board Considers Manager, Maintenance, Publicity Problems

By Harry M. Zubkoff

Consideration of an operating organizational structure was the predominant theme of last Monday's meeting of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation board of directors. Following a detailed presentation by an applicant for the job of city manager under GVHC, the board discussed the program under which the residents will manage and operate Greenbelt. Nat Shinderman, personnel ex-

ago. It was felt that this "come-on" advertising reflected unfavorably on the integrity of the corporation, and the board voted to look into the matter, to the extent, if possible, of screening advertising copy.

Later this week the board will meet with representatives of People's Development Corporation to discuss possible purchase and development of vacant land. (Membership previously voted that any purchase plan be so formulated as to constitute no degree of risk to GVHC and its members.)

Newsletter

Ed Burgoon, decrying the lack of information going out to GVHC members, recommended that the corporation hire someone to publish a Newsletter. The entire board, deeply concerned with this problem, agreed to authorize \$100 per month for this purpose for a period of three months, during which time the operation would be reviewed and evaluated. Accordingly, the Publicity Committee will immediately investigate two plans—one to put out an independent Newsletter, and one to use the pages of the Cooperator, with a paid publicity writer in either case.

Membership Meeting

The next membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3. On the agenda are: by-law amendment (reprinted below); report by President; report by Treasurer; report on undeveloped land; and election of 3 directors.

By-Law amendment required by PHA:

Subversives: The Corporation shall not at any time accept or retain as a tenant or occupant of any part of the premises, or as a member, officer, director, employee, or consultant, any person who is a member of an organization designated by the Attorney General of the United States as subversive or who advocates, or is a member of an organization which advocates, the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence.

Rent Raise

The Office of Rent Stabilization has already authorized a 23 1/2% rent increase, it was disclosed. However, the board, believing that 23 1/2% across the board would make for inequitable rents when applied indiscriminately to all unsold Greenbelt units, has asked ORS to consider the possibility of allowing GVHC to administer the rent raise in a more equitable manner. This proposal would allow GVHC to raise rents anywhere from about 20% to 30%, depending upon the dwelling unit involved, so long as it stayed within the overall limit of 23 1/2%. President Mike Salzman reported that ORS is considering this proposal, and a favorable decision is expected. The new rents will be placed in effect as soon as GVHC takes over and legal notice is served.

Announcements

The first Thanksgiving day will be portrayed tonight at 7:30 at the Drop-Inn by cub scout pack 229 at its monthly meeting.

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Going to the Dogs?

On Monday the city council will consider an ordinance to ban the keeping of pets in Greenbelt. Many residents are keenly aware that our city's layout makes it impractical for every family that so desires, to keep a dog or cat. yards are not fenced properly, homes are of the "row" type, and proper sanitation precautions are not adequate.

Dogs running loose and unattended in Greenbelt would be a menace to the safety of the large population of children in Greenbelt. The spacious areas and feeling of freedom planned for humans can easily extend to the activities of animals. We all agree that children should have some association with pets; it contributes to their education and emotional growth. It would be nice if a few pets could be permitted. Unfortunately such privileges cannot be extended to a small portion of the community.

Although past "polls" have resulted in an overwhelming majority against the keeping of pets in Greenbelt, an accurate estimate of the present feeling of citizens regarding this matter cannot be made now. New residents may feel differently on the matter. Old residents may have changed their mind. The problem should be settled democratically.

The city council is sensitive to the wishes of the citizens they represent. In order to make a decent appraisal of the wishes of the community, they must be informed. You can call them before the meeting, or attend the next council meeting in person to voice your expression on this important subject.

North End PTA Votes To Buy Film Strips

At the second meeting of the year last Tuesday, the North End PTA voted to purchase film strips for the school's use to promote easier teaching and faster and better learning. The vote followed a demonstration by guest Harry Taylor of two film strips with audio-visual equipment, of the type used for educational purposes.

Delegates to the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, Mrs. Haward Hunt, president and Miss Thelma Smith, principal, briefly summarized the convention which took place in Baltimore the last three days in October. The musical portion of the program was presented by Mrs. Ethel Gerring, vocalist, accompanied by Mrs. Vladimir Chavrid at the piano. Refreshments were served by the room mothers.

The North End School took part in American Education Week and the school was open for visitation to the public during last week. Members of the PTA executive committee were present to greet the parents in the foyer. Mothers from the PTA were on hand to baby-sit for pre-school children. The regular classroom work schedule was carried on daily, with the exception of Wednesday afternoon which was devoted to a singing assembly in the auditorium. A great many parents took advantage of being able to visit school and having the opportunity to get better acquainted with the students' curriculum.

Clothing Collection

The annual Thanksgiving clothing collection for refugees in Korea, Europe and the Near and Far East will be conducted again this year by the Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's Parish from November 23 to 29. Heavy clothes of all types are needed, as well as bedding.

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Monday, November 24 - 8 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal instead of Wednesday (this week only).

Tuesday, November 26 - 8 p.m. Fidelis Bible Class.

Thursday, November 27 - 10 a.m. Union Thanksgiving Day Service.

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Sunday, November 23 - 9:30 a.m. Session of the Sunday School. J. Richard Hoffman, superintendent. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m. Worship and sermon by the pastor. Music by the choir. Nursery for small children. All Sunday services held at the North End School, Ridge Road.

Monday, November 24 - 8 p.m. Sunday School board will meet at the home of the superintendent.

Library Celebrates Nat'l Book Week

In honor of National Book Week, November 16-22, the Greenbelt Public Library is giving bookmarks to its younger readers and a pamphlet, designed for every home, on "growing up with books", to its older ones. Browsers are invited to study posters and the new children's books now on display.

Despite a shortage of space, the library is showing again its annual Thanksgiving display of the harvest feast, complete with pilgrims and Indians, which has become a tradition library habitus appreciate. Readers of all ages will be especially welcome during this double celebration, according to Mrs. Marjorie Muir, Greenbelt librarian.

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Our Neighbors

By Dorothy McGee
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With all the illness going around town now, mostly the mysterious virus X, it's heartening to learn that there are at least two convalescents doing nicely, thank you. Mrs. Robert Garin, 54-B Crescent, is at home, after an appendectomy last week at George Washington Hospital. . . . Our well-beloved Center School teacher, Mrs. Sara Thompson, 21-D Ridge, returned home Saturday from a few days at Episcopal Eye and Ear Hospital in Washington. Visitors are welcome, I hear. The third and fourth graders are beating a path to her door to wish her well. Have a happy holiday, Mrs. Thompson, and we'll see you after Thanksgiving. We miss you. . . . It will take more than a bit of sleuthing to keep up with the families that are changing residence, now that the great migration is taking place. Do help out, and keep us posted when your friends and neighbors move. The Ben Perelzweig family moved last weekend to 6-E Hillsdale, which is just across the way from their old home. . . . Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. David Fisher, 5-H Ridge, attended the dedication ceremonies for the new temple of the Washington Hebrew Congregation at Massachusetts and Macomb Avenues. Mr. Fisher is the president of the local Jewish Community Center. From their reserved seats up front, the Fishers had a good view of Mrs. Truman, daughter Margaret, and President Truman.

Womans Club Learns Nat'l Library Lore

The Womans Club of Greenbelt met on Thursday, November 13, with the Library and Motion Pictures committee in charge of the program. Mrs. Thelma Finlay and daughter, Diane, entertained the members with three piano duets.

Robert N. Holmes, employee relations officer of the Library of Congress, who was the speaker for the evening, took the ladies on a tour of the library via film. It was one part of a series, "The American Scene," made by the Office of War Information. Holmes outlined the history of and gave interesting comments on, statistics about the library, which began with 7,000 volumes that were the property of Thomas Jefferson. There are now nine and one-half million volumes, 150,000 newspapers, and the largest motion picture collection in the world, besides millions of manuscripts, lining the shelves. The shelves if placed end to end would extend from Washington to New York City. The responsibility of all this is in the hands of 2,300 employees in the library and others who are representatives stationed in all parts of the world.

Club members voted to give Christmas packages to charity patients at Glenn Dale Sanitarium and to send a check to the Prince Georges County Chapter of the Red Cross for their Christmas Fund. Mrs. Daniel Branch asked for volunteers to cut or sew gowns for the children at Glenn Dale. Mrs.

Notice

This Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. the junior recital of the Lydal Palmer singers will take place at the First Methodist Church in Hyattsville. Mrs. Palmer, of Eastway Road, will present her senior singers the same evening at 7:15. The public is invited.

Ralph F. Webster, welfare chairman, made an appeal for magazines and books for Glenn Dale patients. Keeping in mind that patients of all ages, from tiny tots to oldsters, all types of reading material are needed, ranging from comic books to Esquire. Anyone having old magazines and books who would like to have the satisfaction of knowing they are put to good use, should call Mrs. Webster (Greenbelt 7756) and she will be glad to see that they are picked up and delivered.

A social hour followed the adjournment of the business meeting and refreshments were served by the hostess committee.

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A bake sale will be held immediately following the performance.

THOUSANDS OF
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New December 6 telephone directory now being delivered

On December 6, ALL dial telephones in the Washington metropolitan area will carry a numeral in their central office names. This will complete conversion in the Washington area to what is known as a "2 letter-5 digit" numbering system.

More than 125,000 Washington area telephones have already been changed to this new numbering system. Most of these will not be affected by the change-over December 6, but more than 300,000 other telephone numbers will be.

Here are the changes

For some telephones, the only change will be a numeral added to the central office name. For example, ADams 9969 will become ADams 4-9969. To reach this number, you will simply dial the first two letters of the central office name and the numeral 4, then the rest of the telephone number. That's all!

Other telephones will have the central office name changed and a numeral added, with the rest of the telephone number remaining the same. For example, GEorgia 9969 will become RAndolph 3-9969. To reach this telephone, you will dial RA and the numeral 3, then the rest of the number. A few telephone numbers will change completely.

Use your old telephone directory until December 6

These changes will be found in the new telephone directory—identified by the big December 6 on the cover—which is now being delivered. But remember, they do not become effective until Change-over Day, December 6. Until that date, continue to use your old directory as you have in the past.

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The Council at that time adopted a motion to send a letter to FSA giving the poll results as representatives of Greenbelt opinion, and requesting them to enforce lease provisions.

Second Referendum

In 1945 several complaints were made that the lease provisions were not being enforced. The Cooperator of December 6, 1946 reported that two children, 5 and 7 years old, had been viciously attacked by dogs in the Parkbelt neighborhood. An editorial called for rigorous enforcement of the rule, which at that time was thought to have been omitted from leases of Parkbelt Homes, Inc. (but later was found to be applicable there too, only perhaps less strictly enforced). The editorial also backed the urgent request of Public Health Officer William Eisner that "the Town Council should pass an ordinance outlawing pets in Greenbelt. If such a provision won't hold up in Court, perhaps an ordinance providing for muzzling and leashing pets, and a stiff licensing fee, would discourage Greenbelt pet-owners from endangering the health and safety of our 3,800 children."

On December 13, 1946, Mayor George F. Bauer as quoted to the effect that the Federal Public Housing Authority, and not the town, was responsible for enforcing the lease regulation on pets. On December 20 Community Manager Charles M. Cormack stated that FPHA would enforce the rule when specific complaints were received. Mayor Bauer thought a provision for licensing would be at

cross purposes with the lease provision.

A "recheck" of public opinion on the troublesome question of dogs and cats was suggested by Cormack to the Town Council in May 1949. Ballots were mailed out by the housing office to the residents, and the results were announced May 26 by a committee consisting of Wineld McCamy, town clerk; Fred Ryerse, PHA office; and Sally Meredith, representing the Cooperator. Altogether 1,014 ballots were mailed in, representing 54 per cent of the families. 935 were opposed to permitting the keeping of pets, and 79 in favor. The ballots had to be signed, but 10 of those opposed and 1 in favor were unsigned. PHA then announced again that it would enforce the provision. The Council "intimated" that it would back the referendum with an ordinance to implement the lease provision.

Council Agenda

Other than the ordinance requiring muzzling and leashing of dogs providing a fine of \$10 to \$25 for violation, and authorizing police to dispose of dogs picked up while not in care of a responsible person (adopted July 14, 1947) there was no further legislation on the subject. No licensing of dogs was authorized, because licensing was deemed to condone their existence.

If the proposed new "total ban" on dogs is enacted, it will presumably supersede in practice the existing control ordinance, which will then apply only to visiting dogs and their visiting owners or caretakers, if any.

GCS Board Studies**Co-op Request**

The Greenbelt Consumer Services board last Friday, after a delay of two board meetings, considered the Cooperator's request for the release of reports to the Cooperator.

Before each meeting, reports are mailed to board members which are available to them only and around which most of the discussion revolves. Under these circumstances the Cooperator reporter has been under a terrific disadvantage.

The board finally passed a motion to release the tentative minutes of each previous board meeting and other non-confidential background material to the Cooperator.

The board decided to make the next membership meeting, December 10, at the social room of the Center School, an educational one. The subject will be "An attempt to bring members up to date on thinking going on in Co-op circles as to how a Co-op can become a more effective distribution organization to serve the consumer better."

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